OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

the City Of Augusto

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of "Shirley Denson Bennings"

WHEREAS, Shirley Denson Bennings is a resident of Augusta, Georgia, since nineteen hundred sixty-eight having received her elementary and secondary education in the Sumter County School System and further educational training at Albany State University, Albany, Georgia; and Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Denson Bennings began her teaching career at the Ursula Collins Elementary School, continued her career at Butler High School and completed her teaching tenure at Augusta Technical College; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Denson Bennings has spent thirty-four years believing that "a mind is a terrible thing to waste"; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Denson Bennings has spent thirty-four years educating and training children and adults with marketable skills; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Denson Bennings, the 2002 Augusta Technical College Instructor of the Year, competed and won the East Central Consortium Instructor of the Year, and was one of the six state finalists for the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Instruction and was recognized for her personal and professional contributions and leadership skills exemplified in the field of technical and adult education; and

WHEREAS, Shirley Denson Bennings has responded to her calling to "TEACH", to TRAIN, to LISTEN, to CARE, and to MOTIVATE children and adults.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim Saturday, July 10, 2004, as "SHIRLEY DENSON BENNINGS DAY" in Augusta, Georgia, and urge the citizens of this community to honor this special occasion for services rendered by this special person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 10th day of July 2004.